
Introduced by Senator Speier

February 21, 2003

An act to add Section 11400.5 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to public social services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 897, as introduced, Speier. Foster care: San Mateo County.

Existing law establishes the Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) program, under which counties provide payments to foster care providers, including foster family homes, on behalf of qualified children in foster care. The program is funded by a combination of federal, state, and county funds, with money from the General Fund being continuously appropriated to pay for the state's share of AFDC-FC costs.

Existing law imposes various requirements that must be met as a condition of the licensing of community care facilities, including group homes, and provides for the licensure of those entities by the State Department of Social Services.

This bill would permit the County of San Mateo to operate a youth crisis/residential treatment facility.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 11400.5 is added to the Welfare and
- 2 Institutions Code, to read:
- 3 11400.5. The County of San Mateo may operate a youth
- 4 crisis/residential treatment facility for up to 12 youths who are

1 seriously emotionally disturbed to demonstrate that length of
2 out-of-home placement can be shortened when interagency
3 partners, including mental health, human services, and juvenile
4 probation and the youth's parents or responsible caregivers are
5 directly involved in the development of treatment and aftercare
6 plans from the initiation of the residential placement.

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